करने के लिए इनकी पूरी-पूरी जांच की जाती है । सभी जांच अधिकारियों को यह सलाह विशेष रूप से दी गई है कि कानून के अनूसार अपराधियों को दंडित कराने के लिए वे बालशोषण के मामलों को वरीयता के आधार पर निपटाएं ।

(ग) जी हां, श्रीमान । धारा 366-क / 366-ख / 372/ 373 के अधीन भारतीय दंड संहिता के उपबंध बच्चों के यौन शोषण के संबंध में दंड देने के लिए लागू होते हैं ।

(घ) उपर्युक्त (ग) को देखते हुए प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Food Processing Projects in North Eastern and Southern States

955. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY:
SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned Rs.1039 crores for various food processing projects in 7 North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, whether Government had provided financial assistance for setting up 29 food processing centres in the region for training small entrepreneurs in rural and hilly areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government are considering to provide assistance for food processing projects in the Southern States also; and

(e) if so, the States selected for the purpose and the number of food processing projects which are likely to be set up in the Southern States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI K.P.y SINGH DEO): (a) to (e) The Ministry has extended financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 12.91 crores under its Plan Schemes for various proposals received from State Government Organisations/ Cooperatives/Voluntary Organisations etc. in the North-Eastern States between the years 1991-92 to 1994-95. This includes proposal for setting up of 29 Food Processing & Training Centres (FPTCs).

The Ministry's Plan Schemes are not State specific and assistance is extended to the proposals received from various States including Southern States. Such assistance has already been extended in respect of various proposals received from the 4 Southern States of the Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh, out of the total target of 250 such Centres throughout the country, m the four Southern States during the Eighth Plan period. Assistance has been extended for setting up of 21 such Training Centres in the four Southern States till date.

EOT Scheme

956. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the scheme build, operate and transfer (BOT) cess or toll on users of roads is for a specified period;

(b) if so, the rationale thereof and the period for which toll is imposed;

(c) whether there are any constraints in continuing the toll after the expiry of the initial stipulated period;

(d) in what manner the expenditure on maintenance of the road or infrastructure is met after the discontinuation of the toll particularly in the wake of fund constraints;

(e) whether Government would consider in continuation of toll even after the expiry of the initial stipulated period, keeping in view the need for continued maintenance of the road or infrastructure and the fund constraints; and

(f) if so, the modalities of the same and if not, the justification thereof?